

**Subject:** Re: Little Tokyo ATP grant approval by City Council  
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Yukio,

I saw Kevin James at the Public Works Day reception and asked about the status of the Big Belly Trash Cans in the Little Tokyo ATP grant. (Ellen and I along with Miguel Vargas met with him several years ago seeking his assistance to identify funding for Big Belly Trash Cans.) I know he made an inquiry for us. George Huang has been keeping me updated as to the progress of the funding. I was told that Engineering is preparing an RFP for the Big Belly Trash Cans that should hit the streets the end of July or beginning of August and we could expect to see the Big Bely Trash Cans installed at the end of this year. Also, Huizar's office was monitoring the progress and had to get it on the City Council agenda for approval by the end of this fiscal year. I think they were monitoring 2 other ATP grants along with the Little Tokyo ATP grant. I hope your part of the grant will move along now that the funding has been approved by City Council too.

Joanne

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Joanne

Wow, you shocked me when you told me at the Sustainable Little Tokyo meeting that we almost lost the Little Tokyo ATP grant. You said that Wednesday was the deadline for the City Council to approve the extension of the ATP grant or it would have been gone! Thank you so much to you or whoever caught it and got City Council approval in the nick of time. It must have been Huizar's office. I've been working on the street trees portion of the ATP grant for around 2 years now, but I have never been part of the administration of the ATP grant. I had assumed it was all being handled by the City. My only contact has been through George, Thuy and now Adrian. I was told in May last year that a one year extension was approved, so everything stopped. Then this year, I got involved again. I have been working extensively on the street trees, but I have been clueless on administrative matters regarding the ATP grant.

Yukio